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Frederick Bruce HAIGH

MBE DipCE HonME Qkdd FIEAust FAIM

1912 - 1974

INDUCTED IN 2018

An irrigation engineer and administrator born in Melbourne, Frederick received his education at Coburg High School before beginning his career in 1928 as a Survey Assistant and Draftsman for Victoria's State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.

Earning his stripes as an engineer of the First Mildura Irrigation Trust through experience on the Western District Towns Water Supply and Mildura District Sub Surface Drainage Schemes respectively, Frederick joined the Royal Australian Engineers in 1941.

Serving as a Major commanding a field company constructing roads, airstrips, bridges, wharves, water supplies and buildings, Frederick discharged from active duty in 1946 but retained his interest in the RAE in the post-war Citizen Military Forces for which he received the MBE.

Frederick's work with the Queensland Irrigation and Water Supply Commission saw him rise to the rank of Commissioner, a career-headlining role that saw him completely reshape and reinvigorate the development of irrigation within the State.

Often described as efficient and innovative, Frederick employed the latest technologies to his projects and was responsible for the construction of 14 large dams and the increased number of weirs from 16 to 65.

Frederick became the President of the Institution of Engineers in 1970 after serving on the Brisbane Divisional Committee from 1952 as a Chairman and a member of the Council of the Institution.

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